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Town Officers

	<i>Moderator</i> Newell P. Marden	
	<i>Town Clerk</i> Blake H. Rand	
	<i>Selectmen</i>	
Newell P. Marden	George F. Haynes	Albert H. Drake
	<i>Treasurer</i> Frederick D. Parsons	
	<i>Tax Collector</i> Joseph H. Drake	
	<i>Representative</i> Arthur A. Jenness	
	<i>Cemetery Trustees</i>	
Lewis H. Foss	Daniel J. Parsons	Alfred C. Philbrick
	<i>School Board</i>	
Willard M. Jenness	Agnes E. Perkins	George B. Rogers
	<i>School Treasurer</i> Frederick D. Parsons	
	<i>Janitor of Town Hall</i> Chester D. Drake	
	<i>Trustees of Trust Funds</i>	
Shirley S. Philbrick	Willard A. Trefethen	Charles M. Remick
	<i>Supervisors</i>	
Arthur A. Jenness	Alvah L. Caswell	Thomas H. Perkins
	<i>Highway Agent</i> N. Sherman Rand	
	<i>Library Trustees</i>	
Charles M. Remick	Helen F. Philbrick	William H. Locke
	<i>Police</i>	
C. O. Philbrick	<i>Health Officer</i> Dr. H. A. White	Arthur A. Jenness
	<i>Auditors</i>	
Arthur A. Jenness	<i>Fire Warden</i> Earnest A. Tucker	Abbott B. Drake
	<i>Tree Warden</i> Clarence A. Goss	

Selectmen's Report

For the year ending January 31, 1921

INVOICE

Polls, 284 at \$5.00; 21 at \$3.00	
Land and buildings.....	\$1,620,581.00
Horses, 176.....	20,110.00
Oxen, 6.....	800.00
Cows, 293.....	20,350.00
Neat stock, 29.....	1,225.00
Sheep, 14.....	140.00
Fowl.....	595.00
Vehicles.....	800.00
Boats and launches.....	900.00
Wood and lumber.....	12,760.00
Stock in public funds.....	7,870.00
Stock in national banks.....	4,600.00
Money on hand.....	2,835.00
Stock in trade.....	3,100.00
Aqueducts, etc.....	5,000.00
Mills and Machinery.....	2,650.00
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Total valuation.....	\$1,704,316.00
Amount of veteran exemption....	\$5,100.00
Tax rate, \$24.00 on \$1,000.00	
Precinct Rate, \$7.50 on \$1,000.00	
Total amount of property taxes..	\$40,903.58
284 Polls at \$5.00.....	1,420.00
21 Polls at 3.00.....	63.00
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Total taxes committed to collector	\$42,386.58

ASSETS

Cash on hand.....	\$36.47
<i>Taxes not collected:</i>	
Levy of 1915.....	25.32
Levy of 1916.....	30.95
Levy of 1917.....	51.46
Levy of 1918.....	75.05
Levy of 1919.....	108.72
Levy of 1920.....	2,747.96
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Total Assets.....	\$3,039.46

LIABILITIES

Outstanding Notes.....	\$13,000.00
Total Liabilities.....	9,924.07

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS

From local taxes:

Property taxes committed to Collector, 1920.....	\$40,903.58
Less discounts and abatements, 1920.....	1,798.53
Less uncollected, 1920.....	2,747.96
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Property taxes, collected, 1920.	\$36,357.09

Poll taxes collected, 1920:

21 at \$3.00.....	\$63.00
284 at \$5.00.....	1,420.00
Taxes of previous years collec- ted.....	335.78
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	\$1,818.78

From State:

Trunk line maintenance, 1919	\$77.98
Insurance tax.....	22.50
Railroad tax.....	121.43
Savings bank tax.....	2,504.93

From local sources except taxes:

Dog licenses.....	\$202.80
Licenses.....	16.00
Rent of town hall.....	144.50
Interest on money advanced to schools.....	30.50
Permits for registration of motor vehicles.....	1,148.07

\$4,268.71

Receipts other than current revenue:

Temporary loans.....	\$5,500.00
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Total receipts.....	\$47,944.58
Cash on hand, Jan. 31, 1920.....	828.36

\$48,772.94

SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS

General Government:

Town officers' salaries.....	\$702.00
Town officers' expenses.....	459.73
Election expenses.....	44.63
Expense town hall.....	648.63

Protection of persons and property:

Police department.....	32.50
Fire department, forest fires...	22.80

Health:

Health officer	33.00
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Highways and bridges:

Trunk line maintenance	196.70
Town maintenance and winter labor	9,403.74
Street lights	21.53
General expenses	95.12

Library:

Rye Library	1,000.00
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Patriotic purposes:

Aid to G. A. R.	10.00
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Public service enterprises:

Care of hearse	47.00
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Interest:

Paid on temporary loans	392.50
Paid on long term notes	375.00

Outlay for new construction:

Highways and bridges	434.25
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Indebtedness:

Payment of note	10,000.00
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Payment to other Governmental Divisions:

Taxes paid to State	6,382.00
Taxes paid to County	4,435.34
Payment to School Districts ...	14,000.00

Total payments	\$48,736.47
Cash on hand, Jan. 31, 1921 ...	36.47

\$48,772.94

Detailed Statement of Expenditures

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Supervisors.....	\$45.00
B. H. Rand, clerk.....	25.00
F. D. Parsons, treasurer.....	25.00
C. O. Philbrick, police.....	10.00
A. A. Jenness, police.....	10.00
Selectmen.....	135.00
J. H. Drake, collector.....	400.00
J. H. Drake, precinct collector.....	48.00
A. A. Jenness, auditor.....	2.00
A. B. Drake, auditor.....	2.00

\$702.00

TOWN OFFICERS' EXPENSES

John Templeton, printing town re- ports.....	\$92.40
C. E. Trafton, bond for treasurer...	18.00
A. R. H. Foss, printing.....	2.00
N. P. Marden, postage and station- ery.....	5.06
C. E. Trafton, bond for Trustees Trust Fund.....	30.00
A. P. Wendell & Co., police badges..	10.10
J. W. A. Green, transfer records....	10.00
E. C. Eastman, tax book.....	2.55
N. P. Marden, copying inventory, etc.....	6.00
N. P. Marden, expense on guide boards.....	6.50

C. E. Trafton, collector's bond.....	18.00
B. H. Rand, issuing auto permits...	24.75
C. A. Goss, services tree warden....	13.00
Times Publishing Co., printing notice.....	2.00
E. C. Eastman, Trust Fund Book..	5.11
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., service.....	1.15
A. R. H. Foss, treasurer's receipt book.....	2.00
A. R. H. Foss, printing check lists, etc.....	34.00
J. D. Randall, printing receipt book for Trustees of Trust Funds.....	13.00
Portsmouth Trust and Guarantee Co., rent of box for Trustees.....	3.00
Selectmen, jury, precinct, etc.....	120.00
B. H. Rand, issuing auto permits and manual.....	25.00
T. H. Simes, Esq., advice and services	16.11
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\$459.73	

ELECTION EXPENSES

E. C. Eastman Co., warrants.....	\$.63
Mrs. D. J. Parsons, meals for election officers.....	20.00
W. S. Goss, services, election officer.	6.00
G. P. Goss, services election officer..	6.00
W. L. Marden, services, election officer.....	6.00
C. O. Philbrick, services, election officer.....	6.00
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\$44.63	

TOWN HALL EXPENSES

Consolidated Coal Co., coal.....	\$33.42
H. P. Montgomery, rent of piano...	10.00
R. C. L. & P. Co., lighting service..	15.11
H. T. Wendell, supplies.....	6.75
Consolidated Coal Co., coal.....	25.85
R. C. L. & P. Co., service and lamps.	30.18
H. P. Montgomery, rent of piano...	15.00
R. C. L. & P. Co., service.....	2.41
G. P. Goss, wood.....	34.00
H. P. Montgomery, rent of piano	15.00
R. C. L. & P. Co., service.....	3.09
H. T. Wendell, duster.....	1.25
M. P. Alkou, pitchers.....	6.90
H. T. Wendell, supplies.....	4.50
R. C. L. & P. Co., service.....	8.29
R. C. L. & P. Co., lamps.....	1.75
C. D. Drake, part payment as janitor	50.00
I. W. Brown, labor on ceiling.....	11.27
C. E. Walker & Co., coal.....	34.20
H. P. Montgomery, rent of piano...	15.00
C. D. Drake, balance due as janitor.	250.00
M. J. Garland, wood.....	34.00
H. T. Wendell, step ladder.....	4.50
A. H. Drake, teaming coal.....	13.00
R. C. L. & P. Co., service and lamps	18.46
C. D. Drake, supplies.....	4.70

 \$648.63

STREET LIGHTS

R. C. L. & P. Co., service from Oct.	
to Dec. 31.....	\$17.53
T. N. Perkins, tending switch to Jan.	
31.....	4.00

 \$21.53

CARE OF HEARSE

A. C. Philbrick.....	\$15.00
A. C. Philbrick.....	22.00
A. C. Philbrick.....	10.00

\$47.00

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

E. A. Tucker, fire warden.....	\$22.80
C. O. Philbrick, police services.....	3.50
A. A. Jenness, police services.....	29.00

\$55.30

DISCOUNT ON TAXES

J. H. Drake, collector.....	\$1,798.53
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\$1,798.53

BOARD OF HEALTH

Dr. H. A. White, fumigating.....	\$8.00
Dr. H. A. White, services.....	25.00

\$33.00

LIBRARY

C. M. Remick.....	\$500.00
C. M. Remick.....	500.00

\$1,000.00

PATRIOTIC PURPOSES

J. W. Berry, Memorial Day appropriation.....	\$10.00	\$10.00
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HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES AND WINTER LABOR

N. Sherman Rand, winter labor....	\$2,223.65	
N. Sherman Rand, widening road and removing part of building, Rye Harbor.....	91.00	
N. Sherman Rand, roads and bridges	7,523.34	
Town of North Hampton, tax on pit	1.12	
E. W. Caswell, damage to building by widening road at Rye Harbor	50.00	
R. F. Varrell, labor on sheds.....	32.00	
C. M. Rand, rent of shed.....	2.00	
R. F. Varrell, rent of shed.....	2.00	
Joseph Philbrick, rent of shed.....	2.00	
J. D. Marston (executor), rent of of shed.....	2.00	
W. A. Trefethen, rent of shed.....	2.00	
J. A. Seavey, rent of shed.....	2.00	
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		\$9,933.11

TRUNK LINE MAINTENANCE

State Highway Department.....	\$67.70	
State Highway Department.....	32.25	
State Highway Department.....	96.75	
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		\$196.70

INTEREST ON TEMPORARY LOANS

First National Bank.....	\$75.00
First National Bank.....	30.00
First National Bank.....	22.50
First National Bank.....	100.00
First National Bank.....	120.00
First National Bank.....	45.00
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	\$392.50

INTEREST ON LONG TERM NOTES

G. P. Goss.....	\$75.00
T. W. Parsons.....	50.00
S. A. Marden.....	12.50
A. A. Odione.....	50.00
S. A. Marden.....	12.50
G. P. Goss.....	75.00
T. W. Parsons.....	50.00
A. A. Odione.....	50.00
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	\$375.00

LONG TERM NOTE PAID

First National Bank.....	\$10,000.00
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	\$10,000.00

STATE AND COUNTY TAXES

Stewart E. Rowe, county tax.....	\$4,435.34
John W. Plummer, state tax.....	3,165.14
John W. Plummer, proportion of poll tax due the state.....	568.00
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	\$8,168.48

SCHOOLS

F. D. Parsons, balance 1919-1920, appropriation.....	\$1,000.00
F. D. Parsons, 1920-1921, appropri- ation.....	13,000.00
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	\$14,000.00
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Total amount of expenditures....	\$47,886.14

NEWELL P. MARDEN,
ALBERT H. DRAKE,
GEORGE F. HAYNES,

Selectmen of Rye.

We the undersigned have examined the foregoing ac-
counts and find them correct and properly vouched.

A. B. DRAKE,

Auditors.

Budget

Estimate of revenue and expenditures for the ensuing year as compared with past year.

<i>Sources of revenue</i>	<i>Year Ending</i>		<i>Increase</i>	<i>Decrease</i>
	<i>Jan. 31, 1921</i>	<i>Jan. 31, 1922</i>		
Insurance tax.....	\$22.50	\$22.50		
Railroad tax.....	121.43	121.43		
Savings bank tax.....	2,504.93	2,504.93		
Trunk line mainten'ce.	77.98			77.98
Forest fires (from state)		11.40	11.40	
Licenses	16.00	16.00		
Rent of hall.....	144.50	144.50		
Auto permits.....	1,148.07	900.00		248.07
Dog tax.....	202.80	202.80		
Back taxes.....	335.78	2,400.00	2,064.22	
Poll taxes.....	1,483.00	2,400.00	917.00	

<i>Purposes of Expenditures</i>				
Town officers' salaries.	702.00	702.00		
Town officers' expenses	459.73	459.73		
Election expenses.....	44.63			44.63
Town hall expenses...	648.63	648.63		
Police.....	32.50	32.50		
Forest fires.....	22.80	22.80		
Health department...	33.00	33.00		
Highways and bridges.	7,180.09	8,150.00	969.91	
Winter labor.....	2,223.65	300.00		1,923.65
Trunk line m'n'tn'ce..	196.70	550.00	353.30	
Street Lights.....	21.53	95.20	73.67	
General expenses high- way department....	95.12	13.25		81.87
Library.....	1,000.00	1,000.00		
Town poor.....		200.00	200.00	
G. A. R. Memorial Day	10.00	10.00		
Hearse expense.....	47.00	47.00		
Interest.....	767.50	550.00		217.50
Highways and bridges, New construction...	434.25	1,000.00	565.75	
State taxes.....	6,382.00	6,782.00	400.00	
County tax.....	4,435.34	4,435.34		
Schools.....	14,000.00	12,000.00		2,000.00

NEWELL P. MARDEN,
ALBERT H. DRAKE,
GEORGE F. HAYNES,
Budget Committee.

Treasurer's Report

For the Fiscal Year ending January 31, 1921

Receipts

Amount in treasury, Jan. 31, 1920.....	\$828.36
From J. H. Drake, collector taxes, 1916.....	5.00
“ “ “ “ “ 1917.....	31.14
“ “ “ “ “ 1918.....	43.72
“ “ “ “ “ 1919.....	255.92
“ “ “ “ “ 1920.....	39,638.62
From state, highway department, trunk line maintenance.....	77.98
town clerk, automobile permits.....	1,148.07
town clerk, dog licenses.....	202.80
town hall, janitor.....	144.50
peddlers' licenses.....	16.00
notes.....	5,500.00
school treasurer, interest on money ad- vanced.....	30.50
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	\$47,922.61

Expenditures

Paid on Selectmen's orders.....	\$47,886.14
Cash on hand.....	36.47
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	\$47,922.61

Demands Against the Town

Note to Gilman P. Goss, dated April 1, 1919..	\$1,000.00
Note to Thomas W. Parsons, dated April 28, 1919.....	2,000.00

Note to Samuel A. Marden, dated May 1, 1919	500.00
Note to Gilman P. Goss, dated May 15, 1919	2,000.00
Note to Alfred A. Odiorne, dated June 2, 1919	2,000.00
Note to First National Bank, Portsmouth, dated Jan. 3, 1921.....	4,000.00
Note to First National Bank, Portsmouth...	1,500.00
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	\$13,000.00

Due the Town

From J. H. Drake, collector taxes, 1915.....	\$25.32
“ “ “ “ “ 1916.....	30.95
“ “ “ “ “ 1917.....	51.46
“ “ “ “ “ 1918.....	75.05
“ “ “ “ “ 1919.....	108.72
“ “ “ “ “ 1920.....	2,747.96
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	\$3,039.46
Cash on hand.....	36.47
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	\$3,075.93
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Balance against the town.....	\$9,924.07

FREDERICK D. PARSONS,

Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and properly vouched.

A. B. DRAKE,

Auditors.

Report of Highway Agent

Receipts

From F. D. Parsons, treasurer	\$9,837.99
From Town No. Hampton, snow rebate	20.00
From John Armstrong, tar barrels	60.00
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	\$9,917.99

Expenditures

Summer labor on Highways.

N. S. Rand	\$697.92
E. B. Odiorne	321.00
E. P. Clark	149.00
H. H. Keene	386.50
Wallace Canney	467.75
Ralph Chick	314.50
J. O. Berry	148.00
R. H. Trefethen	6.00
E. E. Chick	8.00
B. Markinson	4.00
Perley Brown	4.00
A. C. Philbrick	85.00
W. L. Marden	204.00
Frank Peek	126.00
J. W. Becker	3.00
E. J. Rand	43.22
Frank Sleeper	178.80
W. M. Jenness	48.00
H. S. Rand	72.00
F. H. Rand	393.00
L. R. Woods	52.00
A. H. Drake	38.00

S. P. Brown.....	142.00
J. H. Brown.....	32.00
R. W. Rand.....	24.00
Albert Rand.....	16.00
S. G. Smart.....	26.00
R. D. Rawding.....	47.00
W. S. Goss.....	13.50
J. A. Brown, sand.....	10.00
R. J. Locke, gravel.....	2.00
E. O. Foss, gravel.....	15.75
S. S. Philbrick gravel.....	13.50
F. G. Brown, gravel.....	2.25
N. P. Marden, gravel.....	7.35
Good Roads Machy. Co., road drag...	35.00
Good Roads Machy. Co., mould board, blade, etc.....	62.12
C. D. Garland, tools.....	8.85
First National Bank, protectograph...	6.00
R. I. Walden, printing.....	1.75
Muchemore & Ryder Co., tools, paint, etc.....	23.45
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	\$4,238.21

Road Oil:

Alden Speare's Sons Co., 16,003 gals. at 13c.....	\$2,080.39
Alden Speare's Sons Co., car detention	10.00
Standard Oil Co., spraying at 2½c per gal.....	400.08
The Barrett Co., patching oil.....	362.55
Boston & Maine R. R., freight on tar	44.88
Boston & Maine R. R., demurrage....	6.18
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\$2,904.08

Bridge and Grading (Seavey's Creek):

N. S. Rand, labor	\$46.00
E. B. Odiorne, labor	31.00
E. P. Clark, labor	19.00
Wallace Canney, labor	35.00
Ralph Chick, labor	22.00
H. H. Keene, labor	31.00
F. H. Rand, teaming	42.00
H. S. Rand, teaming	16.00
A. L. Bowden, timber	12.00
R. I. Sugden & Son, lumber and cement	44.81
E. J. Rand, lumber	24.00
Muchemore & Ryder Co., lead, oil, etc.	3.94
H. T. Wendell, spikes, etc.	16.50

\$343.25

Wentworth Bridge:

N. S. Rand, labor and materials on rails	\$5.00	\$5.00
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Drain and Washouts:

N. S. Rand, labor	\$24.00
E. B. Odiorne, labor	10.00
H. H. Keene, labor	4.00
Ralph Chick, labor	12.00
S. G. Smart, labor	4.00
J. D. Marston, labor	8.00
W. M. Jenness, labor	8.00
Frank Sleeper, labor	8.00
R. D. Rawding, labor	8.00
W. L. Marden, labor	12.00
H. S. Rand, labor	4.00
I. W. Brown, pipe	10.80

\$112.80

Road and Fish-house Rye Harbor:

N. S. Rand, labor	\$29.50
E. B. Odiorne, labor	16.00
Wallace Canney, labor	17.00
Ralph Chick, labor	10.00
A. C. Philbrick, labor	12.00
F. H. Rand	6.00
W. S. Goss, lumber50

\$91.00

Winter Labor (Districts):

N. S. Rand	\$292.50
E. J. Rand	101.13
W. L. Marden	346.75
R. D. Rawding	286.50
Frank Sleeper	286.42
F. G. Brown	383.00
W. S. Goss	21.25
W. B. Saunders	152.00
Frank Peek	211.50
A. C. Philbrick	82.60
F. H. Rand	50.00
C. F. Dodge	10.00

\$2,223.65

N. SHERMAN RAND,

Highway Agent.

We the undersigned have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and properly vouched.

A. B. DRAKE,

Auditors.

Janitor's Report

For the year ending January 31, 1921

Town Hall Receipts

Congregational Society.....	\$7.50
Rye Grange.....	9.50
Jr. O. U. A. M.....	18.00
Jenness Beach.....	2.50
Locke Reunion.....	2.00
Mrs. Joseph Drake.....	2.00
Dances.....	59.00
Piano.....	44.00

\$144.50

CHESTER D. DRAKE,

Janitor.

Report of Trustees of Central Cemetery

Your Trustees report for the year ending Jan. 31, 1921, having sold eight lots. At the end of the previous year there was no cash on hand and a deficiency of \$17.93.

Receipts

Sale of lots, Matt Loomis, balance paid	\$35.00
A. L. Remick	40.00
Mrs. C. D. Locke	40.00
C. O. Ellingwood	40.00
G. E. Locke	40.00
J. H. Yeaton	40.00
C. J. Peckham	40.00
C. H. Rand, Portsmouth	75.00
E. P. Clark, for apples	5.00
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	\$355.00

Expenditures

L. H. Foss, due from Jan. 31, 1920	\$17.93
A. C. Philbrick, for labor	61.35
L. H. Foss, for labor	154.90
E. P. Clark, for labor	88.75
E. J. Rand, for lumber	3.30
A. R. H. Foss, for printing	7.50
Cash on hand	21.27
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	\$355.00
Due from Chas. O. Stillings	\$15.00

LEWIS H. FOSS,
ALFRED C. PHILBRICK,
DANIEL J. PARSONS.

Report of the Commissioners of Rye Beach Precinct

LIGHTS

Rocking County Light & Power Co.:

Lights for June and July	\$264.96
Lights for August	141.68
Lights for September	141.68
Lights for October (1919)	123.20
Farragut House Lights, 3 mo. (1919)	24.00

\$695.52

FIRE PROTECTION

Hampton Water Works Co., 15
hydrants

\$750.00

POLICE SERVICE AND LABOR

John Jenness	\$31.18
Joseph C. Goodwin	27.50
Percy Farrell	8.00

\$66.68

BONDS AND INTEREST

E. H. Rollins and Son's Bonds . . .	\$2,000.00
Interest on Bonds	625.00
Interest on Bonds	575.00

\$3,200.00

MISCELLANEOUS

A. R. H. Foss, Order Book	\$2.00
Hampton Water Works Co., water for Community Building	39.50
G. M. Lougee, stamps etc	3.56
Irvin W. Brown, labor	101.75
Robert Coit	297.26
Warren Moulton, labor	22.20
Interest on Notes	8.25
Rockingham County Lights & Power Co., lights for Communi- ty Building	17.20
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	\$491.72
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	\$5,203.92

PRECINCT OFFICERS

Commissioners

Francis E. Drake

R. Jenness Locke

H. Russell Sawyer

Treasurer

Gilman M. Lougee

Clerk

Abbott B. Drake

Auditor

C. Austin Jenness

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF RYE, N. H., FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JANUARY 31, 1921.

DATE OF CREATION		TRUST FUNDS—PURPOSE OF CREATION		HOW INVESTED			AMOUNT OF PRINCIPAL	Rate of Interest	Bal. of Income on hand Jan. 31, 1921	Income During Year	Expended During Year	Bal. of Income on hand Jan. 31, 1921
May 27, 1909	J. Disco Jenness	Cemetery No. 1		Portsmouth Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	\$200.00	3½ & 4¼	\$49.93	\$9.81	\$6.00	\$52.74		
May 27, 1909	David Philbrick	Cemetery No. 2		Portsmouth Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	3½ & 4¼	27.77	4.48	3.00	29.25		
Aug. 10, 1907	Mrs. Jane A. Rand	Cemetery No. 3		Portsmouth Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	3½ & 4¼	35.92	4.78	3.00	37.70		
Apr. 11, 1910	Mrs. Charles T. Lang	Cemetery No. 4		Portsmouth Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	3½ & 4¼	6.93	3.75	3.00	7.68		
Aug. 5, 1909	Lizzie A. Brown	Cemetery No. 5		Portsmouth Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	3½ & 4¼	9.29	3.85	3.00	10.14		
Dec. 27, 1911	Abbie S. Parsons	Cemetery No. 6		Portsmouth Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	3½ & 4¼	13.76	3.99	3.00	14.75		
May 7, 1912	Daniel T. Marden	Cemetery No. 7		Portsmouth Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	50.00	3½ & 4¼	13.66	2.22		15.88		
Jan. 17, 1913	Wesley A. Rand	Cemetery No. 8		Piscataqua Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	139.15	4 & 4¼	77.80	7.16	7.16	77.80		
Jan. 10, 1914	Oliver W. Trefethen	Cemetery No. 9		Piscataqua Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	4 & 4¼	8.58	4.36	4.36	8.58		
Jan. 17, 1913	T. Ira Marden	Cemetery No. 10		Piscataqua Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	101.75	4 & 4¼	9.03	4.40	4.40	9.03		
July 13, 1918	Moses Brown	Cemetery No. 11		Piscataqua Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	4 & 4¼		4.04	4.04			
June 28, 1919	Thomas W. Parsons	Cemetery No. 12		Piscataqua Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	200.00	4 & 4¼	4.00	8.24	8.08	12.24		
May 21, 1919	Mrs. Annie B. Mathes	Cemetery No. 13		Piscataqua Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	200.00	4 & 4¼		3.69	3.69			
Dec. 7, 1920	Mary Ellen Foss	Cemetery No. 14		Piscataqua Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	4 & 4¼		1.46	1.46			
July 20, 1920	Augustus W. Mills	Cemetery No. 15		Portsmouth Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	3½ & 4¼		8.08	8.08			
Jan. 4, 1907	James H. Locke	Cemetery No. 16		Piscataqua Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	200.00	4 & 4¼		2.66	2.66			
April 6, 1920	Henry D. Foss	Cemetery No. 17		Piscataqua Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	4 & 4¼		21.25	21.25			
1920	Daniel W. Dalton	Cemetery No. 18		Liberty Bond, No G00077117	500.00	4¼		.88		.88		
Sept. 30, 1920	Philip W. Tucker	Cemetery No. 19		Portsmouth Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	100.00	3½ & 4¼		57.33	67.50			
Feb. 3, 1912	Benjamin F. Webster	Public Library No. 20		Portsmouth Trust & Guarantee and Liberty Bond	500.00	4 & 4¼	10.17	74.15	74.15			
Nov. 11, 1916	James H. Locke	Public Library No. 21		Portsmouth Trust & Guarantee and Liberty Bond	500.00	4 & 4¼		18.10		18.10		
Aug. 27, 1909	J. Disco Jenness	Public Library No. 22		Portsmouth Savings Bank and Liberty Bond	200.00	3½ & 4¼		.07		.07		
Nov. 11, 1916	James H. Locke Tree Fund	Public Library No. 23		Portsmouth Trust & Guarantee	1.85	4						
					\$3,892.75		\$266.84	\$256.83	\$227.83			\$294.84

CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

SHIRLEY S. PHILBRICK,
CHARLES M. REMICK,
WILLARD A. TREFETHEN,

Trustees

Date, Feb. 5, 1921.

Report of Library Trustees

To the Citizens and Taxpayers of the Town of Rye:

Your trustees report an uneventful year for the Library, with no important changes or additions, but with steady progress in circulation and in scope of influence. Financially, it has been a year of "marking time," as operating expenses have been unusually high, and the prices of supplies as well as books and magazines have been even higher than last year.

The interest of the Benjamin Webster fund has been expended largely on books dealing with the problems of American Government and community betterment; and the interest of the Mary Tuck Rand fund (helped out by friendly contributions) has been spent along the same lines, "The Soul of Abraham Lincoln," by Dr. Barton, Brice's "American Commonwealth" and "The Little Town," by Douglass having been purchased from this fund.

Harper's Monthly and The Literary Digest have been added to the list of periodicals, and it is the desire of the Board to further increase the number and scope of the periodicals, so that the best of the monthly and weekly publications may be found on the reading table.

The demand for Fiction still exceeds the supply, but the Board hopes to be able to devote more of the next appropriation to books than was possible the past year.

The Trustees acknowledge with gratitude each and every contribution: and hereby express their appreciation of the generosity and interest of the Every Other Tues-

day Club, the Crescent Club, and other organizations and individuals.

For the coming year we respectfully request the same appropriation as last year, namely, one thousand dollars.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN F. PHILBRICK,
WILLIAM H. LOCKE,
CHARLES M. REMICK,

Trustees.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

To the Trustees of the Rye Public Library:

The following is the ninth annual report of the Rye Public Library.

Number of volumes, Jan. 31, 1921.....	3,600
Number of magazines.....	21
Average circulation.....	.70
Largest circulation.....	135
Smallest circulation.....	21
Number of borrowers' cards.....	57
Total number.....	845
Total amount of money from fines.....	\$8.53
Amount spent for books, express and supplies.....	6.25
Amount on hand.....	2.28

Books have been presented by:

Miss Sophila Foye
 Rev. James Flagg
 Mrs. Langdon Parsons
 Miss Corinne Parsons
 Mrs. Eliza Marden
 Miss Clara Parsons
 Mrs. Charles D. Garland
 Mrs. Henry Riegel
 Miss Lizzie L. Stearns
 Master James Laphan
 Master Francis E. Drake
 Mrs. Shirley Philbrick
 Miss Alice Hannah
 Mr. Richard Philbrick
 Mr. Frank Boyce
 Master John Saner
 Friends

The members of the Every Other Tuesday Club have given ten dollars to be added to the Mary Tuck Rand Memorial Fund. Four books have now been purchased with the interest, namely—"My Generation," by William J. Tucker; "The Soul of Abraham Lincoln," by William E. Barton; "The Little Town," by Harlan Paul Douglass and "American Commonwealth" by J. B. Bryce.

On Jan. 26th the Crescent Club held a Whist Party at the Town Hall for the benefit of the Library. The amount collected at this party was \$6.50 and an addition of \$10.00 from the Club Treasury made a total of \$16.50. This money is to be used for fiction and a list of books purchased will be found on the Library bulletin board.

The Committee controlling the Trust Funds have handed the Librarian \$67.50 interest from the Webster Fund and \$74.15 from the Locke. The list of books printed in the last year's report cost \$42.40. These have been paid for from the Locke interest and the balance, with the Webster interest used for the following books.

Nursery History of the U. S.	<i>Lucy Barber</i>
Nursery Story of the Bible.	<i>Louise Pleasanter</i>
Book of Musical Knowledge.	<i>Arthur Elson</i>
Complete Opera Book.	<i>Gustav Robbe</i>
Democracy and Ideals.	<i>John Erskine</i>
Poems of Henry Van Dyck	
Education of Henry Adams.	
American World Policies.	<i>David Jayne Hill</i>
Outline of History.	<i>H. G. Wells</i>
With Grenfell on the Labrador.	<i>Fullerton Waldo</i>
Roaming Through the West Indies.	<i>Harry A. Franck</i>
Short Life of Mark Twain.	<i>Albert B. Paine</i>
Wood Folk Comedies.	<i>William J. Long</i>
Society and Prisons.	<i>Osborne</i>
Community Development.	<i>Farrington</i>
Modern City and Its Problems.	<i>Howe</i>
Government of American Cities.	<i>Munro</i>
Government of the United States.	<i>Munro</i>
The Presidency.	<i>Taft</i>
Undercurrents of American Politics.	<i>Hadley</i>
Political Parties and Party Problems in the United States.	<i>Woodburn</i>
Health Through Will Power.	<i>James J. Walsh</i>
The Christ We Forget.	<i>P. Whitewell Wilson</i>
Ireland a Nation.	<i>Robert Lynch</i>
Future Life in the Light of Modern Inquiry.	<i>Samuel McComb</i>
Japan, Real and Imaginary.	<i>Sydney Greenlie</i>

During the spring and summer the circulation fell

below normal but has increased this Fall and Winter until it has reached the highest point in the nine years.

Two new magazines, Harper's and Literary Digest have been added to the list making a total of twenty-one. Many requests are sent to the Library for old magazines and the Librarian would appreciate donations of back numbers.

HELEN C. DRAKE,

Librarian.

REPORT OF TREASURER OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

For the year ending January 31, 1921

Receipts

Cash on hand February 1, 1920	\$23.14
Received from town treasurer, appropriation	1,000.00
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	\$1,023.14

Expenditures

Paid Fred D. Parsons, teaming coal	\$12.50
Arthur Parsons, salary	100.50
Frank Butler, insurance assessments	98.70
Helen C. Drake, salary	400.00
Rockingham County Lt. & Power Co.	38.09
George B. French, books	157.33
Library Bureau, bookcase	40.25
Arthur Parsons, supplies	1.50

C. E. Walker & Co., coal.....	71.25
W. H. Locke, labor.....	4.50
Pryor Davis & Co., paints and oil.....	16.70
Frank Butler, insurance.....	1.30
Gaylord Brothers, supplies.....	28.38
Carrie Marden, cleaning.....	4.00
Willard M. Jenness, wood.....	8.50
John Templeton, subscription for paper.....	1.50
Portsmouth News Agency, mag- azines.....	32.50
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Total Expenditures.....	\$1,017.50
Total Receipts.....	1,023.14
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Cash on hand, February 1, 1921	\$5.64

CHARLES M. REMICK,

Treasurer.

We, the undersigned have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and properly vouched.

A. B. DRAKE,

Auditors.

School Report

SCHOOL OFFICERS

Moderator

Newell P. Marden

School Clerk

Emma L. Foss

School Board

Willard M. Jenness

George B. Rogers

Agnes E. Perkins

Treasurer

Fred D. Parsons

Truant Officer

Willard M. Jenness

Superintendent

C. H. Walker

Teachers

Dorothy Mudgett, (Principal)	Junior High
Hazel Cobb, (Assistant)	Junior High
Olive J. Nickerson, (Primary)	Wedgewood
Alice A. Squire, (Sub Primary)	Wedgewood
Annie E. Wellman	West
Manela Smith	East
Mrs. Manela Thompson	East
Elner Hutchings	East
Peal Boutwell	South
Ella S. Chase	South

Music Teacher

Ernest P. Bilbruck

Janitors

George S. Walker	Wedgewood School
Shirley P. Brown	West
Mrs. Nellie Coakley	East
Mrs. H. P. Varrell	East
Mrs. Frank Brown	South

Report of the School Board

To the Citizens of Rye:

The time has again arrived for us to give to the people of Rye a report of the year's doings.

At our regular district meeting in May, Mr. C. H. Walker was re-elected for the year as Superintendent of this Union, comprising seven towns, which means an amount of work for one educator to supervise, but he has done it in a very efficient manner, often-times working into the early hours of the evening, to accomplish his aims.

However, we feel that the Schools in our town got their due amount of his attention, but taking into consideration the fact that he has to cover so much territory to reach the various schools in the Union, we do not get the benefit we should if our Union was smaller, during the year the school board has appealed to the State Board of Education to lessen the towns in this immediate Union, anyway, to five towns, as was formerly the size of the Union for our Superintendent, as yet the State board has made no change.

Owing to the high cost of material and labor, we were unable to comply with the State Board in regards to altering over our school buildings to meet their requirements.

We felt that the necessary repairs was all that could be done during the past year, the South School-house was shingled and also a new stove was purchased for the same school, in the recitation room at the Wedgewood School, electric lights were installed, finding the drainage in a poor condition it was necessary to have it attended to, and a new cesspool built, also a new pump.

At the East School a new furnace, as the old worn-out one refused to serve the town any longer.

These extra things that I have mentioned with the regular touching up work which has to be done every year to the various school buildings, was all that we could have done with the money appropriated.

We were somewhat inconvenienced during the first part of our school year, both in securing teachers, and suitable places for them to board, however we found a way out of that, and we were able to retain our present teaching force, then the outlook for a prosperous school year looked brighter.

The teachers are enthusiastic in their work, the attitude of the pupils in most cases is one of interest, alertness, and serious purpose.

The whole atmosphere in the schools, in general is business-like, all this credit is due our instructors.

But trusting that the coming year will show a greater co-operation between parents and teachers than has been manifested before, for a parent's visit to the school is as great encouragement to the pupil as it is to the teacher.

In closing this report I wish to thank every one for the hearty spirit of goodwill and helpfulness which I have met during my term in office.

The books with itemized accounts of all matters pertaining to the school business will be at the Town Hall on the afternoon of our annual school meeting for any and all who wish to inspect them.

To the Citizens of Rye; I would say be as liberal in your appropriation of funds for school purposes as can possibly be, for the careful and close estimate of the school

needs for the coming year leads us to submit to the Selectmen the following to be raised.

We recommend that money be raised as follows:

Sept. 1st, 1921 to Sept. 1st, 1922.

Teachers' salaries.....	\$6,300.00
Janitors' salaries.....	648.00
High School tuition.....	600.00
District Officers.....	99.00
Flag account.....	30.00
Books.....	400.00
Supplies.....	400.00
Repairs.....	500.00
Fuel.....	1,000.00
Transportation.....	250.00
Administration and Miscellaneous.....	300.00
Per Capita Tax.....	400.00
Equipment.....	200.00
Excess Salary.....	100.00
Deficit.....	750.00

\$11,977.00

Respectfully submitted,

WILLARD M. JENNESS,
GEO. B. ROGERS,
AGNES E. PERKINS,

School Board.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Rye School District, Sept. 1, 1919 to Sept. 1, 1920

Receipts

From Selectmen raised by taxation:

For the support of all schools.....	\$7,600.00	
Deficiency appropriation (1920 School meeting).....	750.00	
From appropriation for 1920-21.....	950.00	
To increase teachers' salaries.....	600.00	
Per capita tax.....	380.00	
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		\$10,280.00

From sources other than taxation:

Elementary school tuitions.....	\$14.04	
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		\$14.04

Total receipts from all sources..... \$10,294.04

Total cash on hand Sept. 1, 1919..... 11.89

Grand Total..... \$10,305.93

Payments

Administration:

Salaries of district officers.....	\$94.00	
Superintendents excess salary.....	88.24	
Truant officers and school census.....	5.00	
Expenses of administration.....	271.05	
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		\$458.29

Instruction:

Principals' and teachers' salaries.....	\$4,914.87	
Text books.....	408.03	
Scholars supplies.....	331.11	
Flags and appurtenances.....	16.75	
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		\$5,670.76

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:

Janitor service.....	\$559.50	
Fuel.....	1,079.93	
Minor Repairs and Expenses.....	580.43	
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		\$2,219.86

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:

Medical Inspection.....	\$25.00	
Transportation of pupils.....	243.14	
High School and Academy tuition.....	600.00	
		<u>\$868.14</u>

Outlay for Construction and Equipment:

New Equipment.....	\$337.00	\$337.00
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Debt, Interest and other Charges:

Tax for state-wide supervision (\$2.00 per capita).....	\$380.00*	
Deficit Sept. 1, 1919.....	273.66	
		<u>\$653.66</u>

Total payments for all purposes.....	\$10,207.71
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Total cash on hand Sept. 1, 1920.....	98.22
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Grand Total.....	<u>\$10,305.93</u>
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BALANCE SHEET

Assets, Sept. 1, 1920

General fund cash....	\$98.22
Available for 1920-21	10,700.00

Total assets.....	10,798.22
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Excess of liabilities

over assets.....	0000.00
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Grand Total.....	\$10,798.22
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Liabilities, Sept. 1, 1920

Total Liabilities.....	0000.00
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Excess of assets over

liabilities.....	10,798.22
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Grand Total.....	<u>\$10,798.22</u>
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Respectfully submitted,

WILLARD M. JENNESS,

GEO. B. ROGERS,

AGNES E. PERKINS,

School Board.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Rye School District, Sept. 1st, 1920 to Feb. 1st, 1921

Receipts

From Selectmen raised by taxation.....	\$13,000.00	
For the support of all schools:		
Deficiency used before Sept. 1st, 1920...	2,300.00	
	<hr/>	\$10,700.00
From sources, other than taxation:		
Elementary school tuitions.....		135.55
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Total receipts from all sources.....		\$10,835.55
Total cash on hand, Sept. 1st, 1920.....		98.22
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Grand Total.....		\$10,933.77

Payments

Administration:

Salaries of district officers.....	\$94.00	
Superintendents' excess salary.....	81.06	
Truant officers and school census.....	5.00	
Expenses of administration.....	126.22	
	<hr/>	\$306.28

Instruction:

Principal and teachers' salaries.....	\$2,859.74	
Textbooks.....	151.27	
Scholars supplies.....	388.74	
	<hr/>	\$3,399.75

Operation and Maintenance of School Plant:

Janitor service.....	\$190.50	
Fuel.....	882.28	
Minor repairs and expenses.....	952.71	
	<hr/>	\$2,025.49

Auxiliary Agencies and Special Activities:		
Transportation of pupils.....	\$97.20	
High School and Academy tuition.....	337.72	
		<hr/> \$434.92
Outlay for Construction and Equipment:		
Equipment.....	\$528.81	\$528.81
Debt, Interest and other Charges:		
Tax for state-wide supervision \$2.00 per capita.....	\$428.00	\$428.00
Deficit, Feb. 1st, 1921		
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Total Payments for all purposes.....		\$7,123.25
Total cash on hand Feb. 1st, 1921.....		3,810.52
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Grand Total.....		\$10,933.77

BALANCE SHEET

<i>Assets, Feb. 1st, 1921</i>	<i>Liabilities, Feb. 1st, 1921</i>
General fund cash. . \$3,810.52	Total liabilities
Available for	Excess of assets..... \$3,810.52
Total assets	Over liabilities
Excess of liabilities	
over assets	
Grand Total \$3,810.52	Grand Total..... \$3,810.52

Respectfully submitted,

WILLARD M. JENNESS,
 GEORGE B. ROGERS,
 AGNES E. PERKINS,

School Board.

School Treasurer's Report

From Sept. 1, 1919 to Sept. 1, 1920

Receipts

Cash on hand Sept. 1, 1919.....	\$11.89
From Town Treasurer:	
School appropriation of 1919-1920...	7,706.34
Advanced on appropriation of 1920- 1921.....	2,300.00
From North Hampton school treasurer, tuition of Ruth Rumford.....	14.04
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	\$10,032.27

Expenditures

Paid on School Board's orders.....	9,934.05
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Cash on hand Sept. 1, 1920.....	\$98.22

FREDERICK D. PARSONS,

School Treasurer.

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correct and properly vouched.

A. B. DRAKE,

Auditors.

Report of the Supt. of Schools

To the Rye School Board:

I have the honor to submit my third annual report as superintendent of schools. The reports of your supervisor of music and school physician are made a part of this report and merit your careful reading and I have tabulated school statistics, which will prove interesting to all citizens no doubt, as well as to the board.

Work of the Year

After a careful analysis of the scores made in the different grades in the *standard* tests that I gave last spring and comparing the results with standard scores for all the different grades, I find our grades fall below the *standard* scores in some subjects, more particularly in Reading and Composition, whereas they are better than the *standard* scores in other subjects, more frequently in writing, spelling and the four fundamentals of Arithmetic. I further observe that the failure to attain to the *standard* scores occurs more frequently in the first two or three grades, rather than in the middle grades, or fourth, fifth and sixth grades. From this I conclude that our teachers, in trying to prepare the fifth and sixth grades more thoroughly to enter the 7th grade of the Junior High School, neglect to give the required amount of drill to the primary grades that is essential. Another reason that seems to sustain this conclusion, I believe, is the fact, that of all the 18 pupils that failed of promotion, (See Table of Promotion and Retardation) 12 failed in the first two grades. Normally though, more pupils usually do fail to make their grade in these years than at any other time, due

to several reasons, such as immaturity or poor attendance, because of stormy weather or illness, etc. Another reason for this failure in these grades may be the fact that we are teaching these grades only for one session of the day now, instead of for both sessions as formerly.

Both of our teachers in the Junior High School are teaching practically every period every day and with a variety of subjects it makes a very heavy load for them to carry. In order to relieve them somewhat and also the teachers in the elementary schools, I recommend that the board employ an extra teacher, who could teach all the sixth grade pupils at the Center and take three or four of the classes from the Junior High teachers. This would increase the efficiency of our teaching very much in the elementary schools and also in the Junior High School. To do this, we would need to finish off another class room. This could be done in two ways, by doing all the Manual Training in the present unfinished room and using the first or smaller room as a class room, or by building an additional room at the rear of either the Primary or Junior High rooms. The latter would be by far the better but more expensive way of providing the additional room needed.

The enrollment of the schools has increased from 140, in 1916 to 179 in 1920, an increase of almost 20 per cent in four years. Of this whole number, 125 or almost 70 per cent are enrolled in the first five grades, and these first few years are the most critical years of the child's school days. The burden would not be so great if these primary schools had to deal with only two or three grades.

The number of pupils in first five grades, fall of 1918, was 96.

The number of pupils in first five grades, fall of 1919, was 108.

The number of pupils in the first five grades, fall of 1920, was 125, an average of 27 pupils in these first five grades of our four primary schools for the past three years.

There is every reason to believe that there will continue to be an increase in these grades in the years to come, since Rye is suburban to Portsmouth, which is growing rapidly. About thirty pupils in as many as five different grades is just about as many as any teacher can do effective work with. For these reasons, it seems to me that it is only a matter of a few years at the most, before the district will have to make an addition to the Center school in order to relieve the congestion in the primary schools. The sooner this is done, the better for all the children in all grades in Rye.

Some time ago the school board instructed me to see if the Commissioner of Education would approve of our substituting Algebra in place of the History of Civilization in grade 9 and Geometry in place of Commercial Geography in grade 10, in order that our program might co-ordinate more closely with that of the Portsmouth High School. I have received word from him to the effect, that this change might be made at the beginning of the year, but that they could not approve of a change in the middle of the year, "since it would be impossible for either unit of work to be accomplished." We could make this change next summer if the board should decide it would be best to do so. However, personally I feel that this change would impair our present program, to suit two or three pupils planning to go to college, militating against the best interests of the majority of the boys and girls in Rye.

The Junior High School

The upper grades of American Grammar schools, and

the first one or two years of the high school are fast being reorganized into Junior High schools. In New Hampshire the Junior High School consists of grades 7, 8, 9 and 10, and the Senior High of grades 11 and 12. It has been found possible to rearrange the work which has formerly required eight years and in some places still requires nine years, so that certain subjects reserved for the High School could be introduced in these upper grades. Statistics show that wherever Junior High schools have been adopted, an increasing number of pupils continue their work in the Senior High School.

For some time it has been a well known and much deplored fact that a great gap existed between the first year of High School and the last grade of the Grammar school. Pupils, who had been under the constant care and teaching of only one teacher, upon entering High School, came under several teachers, who put them upon their own responsibility. Each teacher commonly required an excessive amount of time and study upon his or her special subject, without regard to the demands of other teachers, who were equally zealous. High school education thus became a highly selective process, as a great many pupils became discouraged and dropped out. To the High School teacher, "weeding them out" has been a very common phrase in the past. Many parents however, required their children to remain in school, and so they had to repeat the year's work. The whole idea was exceedingly undemocratic.

Those pupils who left high school during the first year got no science or practical mathematics, and very little, if any, modern language or practical arts training. The customary offering was Ancient History, Algebra and a foreign language, which however usually, was a dead one. When we consider this abrupt change from the methods

they had been accustomed to in the elementary schools, it is strange that more did not fall by the wayside.

In the Junior High School an effort is made to give the pupils what is of interest and of real value to children at their age. Elementary Science is the science of common every day life and tends to arouse the pupils' interest to keep on and later study Physics and Chemistry in the High School. The French is largely conversational and the Domestic Science and Manual Training are wholly practical. The Geometry is merely constructional, not involving logic to any extent. The pupil comes in contact with more than one teacher, yet the "home-room" teacher has the pupil in more than one subject. Thus we have an easy and natural transition from the one teacher school to the common high school.

By having tried these various subjects, previously only in high schools, the pupil can make a wiser choice of his high school course. His teachers also are in a much better position to advise him and his parents in this matter. Besides, if he cannot attend high school, his experience in the Junior school has given him a much broader education than he would have obtained by the old plan. These are only a few of the many advantages of the Junior High School. In Rye we have a well equipped Junior High School with teachers well trained for the subjects they are teaching and in my opinion, this school means much to all the boys and girls of Rye. It is the one school in Rye that belongs to the whole community, and where, more than in any other matter the chief interests of the whole community should center. With strong support on the part of all citizens it will be a school of which we may all be justly proud.

Attendance

The attendance last year was not quite so good as it

was the previous year due doubtless to the exceedingly severe winter and so many bad storms. The per cent of attendance last year for all schools was only 87.23 whereas the previous year it was 90.1 per cent. The number of cases of tardiness last year was 385, an increase of nearly 21 per cent over last year, or 236. Granted, that we had an extremely severe winter last year, yet it does not seem that our pupils should have failed so in the matter of promptness. This year we have made a much better record with respect to attendance and tardiness up to date due to the excellent weather conditions. I again wish to urge all parents to co-operate to the fullest extent possible to make a good record with respect to both attendance and tardiness, as both are vitally important factors in increasing the morale of any school which makes for successful school work.

Teachers

We lost last spring, with the exception of Miss Annie E. Wellman, all our teachers who for the most part had done good work for us. Such an overturn in a corps of teachers is commonly very harmful if not almost disastrous. However, because of the great scarcity of teachers, we were fortunate in the selection of teachers to fill the places made vacant. I believe almost all are doing good work considering their professional training and experience. None of them are perfect,—few of us are,—but with strong backing that we feel justified in expecting from all school officials and parents, and from the community in general, we hope to produce satisfactory results.

We are at a disadvantage in Rye in getting professionally trained and experienced teachers, because of the difficulty in finding suitable boarding places for them at reasonable

cost. The price of board in Rye to teachers is at present from \$2.00 to \$3.00 more per week than in any of the other six towns of this union and it is almost impossible to find anyone who will open their homes to them at all. Some of our good citizens, interested in the welfare of the boys and girls of Rye, should give this matter careful thought. A successful teacher desires and deserves a comfortable homelike boarding place, at reasonable cost to say the least.

School Buildings

In my report of last year and the previous year, I pointed out some of the defects in our present school plant, and so will only refer you to those sections for further consideration.

Medical Inspection

A careful study of Dr. White's report of the physical examination of last year will no doubt surprise many parents. Few perhaps could have realized the poor physical conditions among so many of our children. I am very sorry that I have not as yet received the results of the examination for this present year. The real test will come when we are able to check up the number of defects that have been remedied as a result of the cards sent to parents. From the report here published it appears that defective teeth is the most frequent defect, and indicates that an active campaign of dental education is imperative in all our schools and homes.

In closing, I wish to thank the Board for your advice and loyal support, and also the teachers, parents and pupils for their co-operation in the interests of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

C. H. WALKER.

Feb. 5, 1921.

MEDICAL INSPECTION

Report of School Physician

District of Rye, Schools; Grades 1 to 10.

Date of examination, June, 1920.

Number of pupils examined.....	172
No. card notices physician to parents.....	88
No. instances of defects remedied since last examination.....	16

Number cases found of:

Malnutrition.....	3	Adenoids.....	4
Skin disease.....	1	Unvaccinated.....	32
Defective teeth.....	59	Unvaccinated without	
Hypertrophied tonsils. 13		proper excuse.....	31

Sanitary condition of school buildings, yard and surroundings, good with the exception of the Wedgewood or Center School which was not good,

H. A. WHITE, *M. D.*

Portsmouth, N. H., Jan. 31, 1921.

Mr. C. H. Walker, Superintendent of Schools,
Rye, N. H.

Dear Sir:—

Music is now recognized as an important part the of school curriculum. President Eliot of Harvard University in a recent address to some of the leading educational men of the country said, "That Music in American

Schools has been neglected." He further said, "That more music was needed in the schools of today."

The children of Rye seem to take a great deal of interest in their music. At the Junior High School the subject is receiving very good attention. The boys are taking an interest in the work which is gratifying. It is to be regretted that instrumental work cannot be carried on in this school but owing to the lack of players an orchestra does not seem to be available. Perhaps if the boys and girls were encouraged to take up the study of the different orchestral instruments before they reach the Junior High School age there might be a possible chance of taking up this part of the study of music.

The work in the Elementary Schools is progressing favorably. All the schools are doing two part singing and seem to enjoy it.

There are some fine young voices in the Town of Rye, and they simply need help and encouragement in school and at home.

I also wish to mention the fine spirit of co-operation which permeates the school rooms, due to the excellent corps of teachers who are in charge of the several buildings.

Thanking you and the School Board for your attitude toward the music, I am,

Yours respectfully,

ERNEST P. BILBRUCK,

Supervisor of Music.

SCHOOL STATISTICS 1919-1920

<i>School and Teacher</i>	<i>Attendance</i>			<i>Cases Av. Daily</i>		<i>% At'n'd</i>
	<i>Wks</i>	<i>Boys</i>	<i>Girls</i>	<i>Tard</i>	<i>Attend.</i>	
<i>Junior High</i>	36	30	21	55	44	92
Prin. Dorothy Mudgett, Asst. Hazel Cobb						
<i>Center Primary</i>	35	21	23	93	32	88
Pearl Boutwell, Olive Nicker- son						
<i>East</i>	36	21	20	139	31	77
Manela V. Smith, Eleanor Hutchins						
<i>South</i>	36	17	15	72	26.32	92
Ella S. Chase						
<i>West</i>	36	15	16	26	25.02	87
Annie E. Wellman						
Total or Average	36	104	95	385	158.34	87

Music Supervisor, Ernest P. Bilbruck.

Visits: By Superintendent, 149; by School Board, 21; by others, 240.

Comparative Table for Five Years

	1919-20	1918-19	1917-18	1916-17	1915-16
No. pupils registered	199	168	149	140	141
Average membership	181.82	154.31	137.3	125.35	123
Av. daily attendance	158.34	140.98	124.06	117.84	114.92
Percent attendance.	87.23	90.1	90.1	94.88	94.24
Cases of tardiness...	385	236	106	90	158
No. in High School..	68	50	46	32	33

Promotion and Retardation

Grades.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
No. promoted....	31	8	18	21	20	19	16	13			146
No. not promoted.	10	2	0	3	3	0	0	0			18
No. not promoted 2nd trial.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0			1
Av. age, Sept. '19:	6	7.8	8.3	9.4	10.1	11	11.8	13.9			

Enrollment by grades, fall 1920.

Grades.....	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Junior High.....							17	15	9	4	45
Ctr. Prim.....	9	12	3	6	6	5					41
East.....	6	8	3	6	4	6					33
South.....	5	5	6	5	7						28
West.....	4	9		4	7	8					32
Total.....	24	34	12	21	24	19	17	15	9	4	179

ROLL OF HONOR

Perfect Attendance Five Years

Florence Rand

Perfect Attendance One Year

Edwin Locke Lawrence Seavey Bessie McCassie

Perfect Attendance Two Terms

Grace Berry, Merton Berry, Hazel Sterling, Harry Brown,
 Edward Morton, Forest Trefethen, Chas. Rand, Clyde
 Root, Harlan Philbrick, John Philbrick, Lavina Odiorne,
 Arlene Tucker, Elbert McCassie, Dorothy Chick.

Perfect Attendance One Term

Chas. Gordon, Myron Jenness, Leonard Simcoe, Josephine
 Locke, Jessie Mitchell, Carrie Odiorne, John Odiorne,
 Richard Rand, Leonard Seavey, Mary Philbrick, Anna
 Pierce, Lucille Sterling, Annie Miles, Helen Wendell, William
 Ulmer, Sarah Roberts, Lawrence Ray, Esther Brown,
 Elizabeth Garland, Ruth Rumford, Frank Varrell, Harold
 Eaton, Adelle Richardson, Richard Goss, Leland Berry,

Edytha Brown, Clara E. Jenness, Marian Philbrick,
Alice Philbrick, Alfred Philbrick, Ruth Bromfield, Keith
Frity, Earl Penty, Eliton Vennard.

Pupils Attending the Portsmouth High School

Senior Year

Bernice M. Brown
Marian Farrell

Vivian M. Jenness
Sylvia Sterling

Junior Year

Pearl A. Berry
Alice Boley
Muriel Belcher
Martha S. Fraser

Geraldine Foss
Arthur Parsons
Lena Wilson
Philena Morton

SCHOOL WARRANT

The State of New Hampshire

*To the Inhabitants of the School District, in the Town of
Rye, qualified to vote in District Affairs:*

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in
said District, on Saturday the twelfth day of March, 1921,
at one-thirty o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the
following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a member of the School Board for the
ensuing three years.
4. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

5. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or Officers, heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

6. To choose Agents, Auditors, or Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this warrant.

7. To see how much money the District will raise and appropriate, in addition to the amount required by law, for the use, and support of the schools.

8. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands at said Rye, this first day of February, 1921.

WILLARD M. JENNESS,
GEORGE B. ROGERS,
AGNES E. PERKINS,

School Board.

A true copy of Warrant. Attest:

WILLARD M. JENNESS,
GEORGE B. ROGERS,
AGNES E. PERKINS,

School Board.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RYE, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1920.

Date 1920	Place of Birth	Name of Child (if any)	Male or Fem.	Living or Stillborn	No. of Child	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother	Birthplace of Father	Birthplace of Mother
Jan. 16	Rye	Ruth	F	L	2nd	Olivet W. Dickey	Marie O. Zeeteman	Lawrence, Mass	Sweden
Jan. 20	Rye		M	L	3rd	Otis C. Odiorne	Mamie Cookman	Rye	Nova Scotia
Mar. 7	Rye	William H.	M	L	2nd	Wallace H. Garrett	Elizabeth Perkins	Portsmouth	Rye
April 14	Rye	Margaret N.	F	L	1st	William H. Walsh	Sarah Bitchall	Exeter, N. H.	Charlestown, Mass.
May 4	Rye	Mary	F	L	2nd	John Toomey	Julia Malloy	Ireland	Boston, Mass.
May 11	Rye		M	L	7th	Austin F. Remick	Julia Blute	Rye	Portsmouth
July 24	Rye	Mona M.	F	L	1st	Henry F. McClain	Alice L. Connolly	Exeter, N. H.	Salmon Falls, N. H.
Aug. 6	Eliot, Me.	Francis Elinor	F	L	2nd	Alvah L. Caswell	Josephine Treacastin	Portsmouth	Falmouth, Me.
Aug. 23	Rye	Nina Elizabeth	F	L	1st	Chester D. Drake	Ruth B. Brown	Rye	Rye
Oct. 25	Eliot, Me.		M	S	1st	Merton A. Drake	Mary T. Colson	Rye	Exeter, N. H.
Nov. 3	Rye	John Laighton	M	L	3rd	William E. Carter	Ruth B. Laighton	New York	Portsmouth
Nov. 20	Rye	Leota Esther	F	L	1st	Clarence J. Hamlin	Esther A. Gailey	Corsley, Va.	Phila., Pa.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BLAKE H. RAND, *Town Clerk.*

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RYE, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1920.

Date 1920	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of groom and bride	Place of Birth of each	Name of Parents	Condition	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married
Jan. 12	Portsmouth	Ralph O. Thompson Manela V. Smith	Deer Isle, Me. Vinal Haven, Me.	Nelson A. Thompson Lottie B. Scott Llewelyn Smith Lottie May Smith	S 1st S 1st	Percy W. Caswell, Clergyman, Portsmouth, N. H.
Feb. 11	Rye	Walter G. Marston Jennie C. Drake	Rye Rye	John D. Marston Sarah J. Gove John O. Drake Clara M. Dearborn	1st S S 1st	James W. Flagg, Clergyman, Rye, N. H.
Mar. 3	Chichester, N. H.	N. Sherman Rand Marion E. Shaw	Rye Chichester, N. H.	Henry S. Rand Mary O. Trefethen Frederick B. Shaw Josie P. French	W 2nd S 1st	J. W. Presby, Clergyman, Chichester, N. H.
June 16	Lebanon, N. H.	Ray H. Foss Sarah A. Devine	Rye Winooski, Vt.	Herbert E. Foss Charlotte S. Odiorne William Devine Luella Blow	S 1st S S	J. C. Smith, Justice of the Peace, Lebanon, N. H.
June 16	Rye	Harold Gardner Alice A. Squire	Portsmouth Rye	Samuel A. Gardner Albina Phinney John Squire Eliza Buswell	S 1st S 1st	Nelson Kellogg, Priest, Portsmouth, N. H.
June 30	Rochester, N. H.	Russell H. Pierce Lora A. Johnson	So. Natick, Mass. Conway, N. H.	Frank N. Pierce Annie L. Knowles Albert L. Johnson Mary A. Page	S 1st S 1st	Herbert F. Quimby, Clergyman, Rochester, N. H.
July 10	Stratham, N. H.	Charles R. Brown Marion A. Jewell	Rye Stratham, N. H.	George W. Brown Mary E. Rand Fred L. Jewell Mary A. Roby	S 1st S 1st	J. Harry LeRoy, Clergyman, Stratham, N. H.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF RYE, N. H., FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1920.

Date 1920	Name and Surname of Deceased	AGE			Place of Birth	Male or Female	Color	Single, Married or Widowed	Name of Father	Maiden Name of Mother
		Years	Months	Days						
Jan. 15	Lorenzo N. Smith	71				M	W	M	James B. Richardson	Sarah A. Stevens
28	Jennie Bartlett	70	6	4	Springfield, N. H.	F	W	W	William Keen	Harriet Rand
Feb. 2	Harriet E. Keen	80	2	24	Rye	F	W	W		
9	Gilman M. Holmes	79	1	24	Hartford, Me.	M	W	M	John Frost	Mary A. Seavey
19	Caroline G. Goodwin	83	6	5	Eliot, Me.	F	W	M	John O. Locke	Josephine Trefethen
Apr. 14	Charles D. Locke	52	4	6	Rye	M	W	M	John O. Foss	Amanda S. Marden
May 23	Edith C. Rand	46	11	26	Rye	F	W	S	Harry F. Whitehouse	Gertrude Blake
23	Dorothy F. Whitehouse	10	28	Rye	Rye	F	W	S	Paul Haynes	Violet G. Smith
June 2	Betty W. Haynes	3	5		Portsmouth.	F	W	W	Richard R. Locke	Celia P. —
11	Richard L. Locke	87			Rye	M	W	M	James B. Sawyer	Betsy J. Davis
July 8	Horace Sawyer	76	11	23	Haverhill	F	W	M	Carl Daewzer	Caroline Specet
9	Carrie D. Schroers	59	6	14	St. Louis, Mo.	F	W	W	Seba Whitcomb	Dorcas Pierce
12	Ina E. Paul	79	11	27	Skowhegan	F	W	W	F. S. Macdonald	Mary G. Shaw
15	Florence S. Perry	42	11	20	Boston	F	W	M	Daniel F. Libby	Roxanna Jorres
30	Albert F. Libby	70	7	27	Gorham, Me.	M	W	M	Henry Jenness	Rebecca Rowe
Aug. 4	Alvado Jenness	63	11	29	Seabrook	M	W	M	Elvin Locke	Louisa Berry
6	John E. Locke	85	12		Rye	M	W	M	John Walsh	Margaret Firth
Sept. 16	Mary A. Twombly	95			Nova Scotia	F	W	W	Robinson Foss	Charlotte Downs
18	John H. Foss	89	10	22	Rye	M	W	W	Merton A. Drake	Mary T. Colson
Oct. 25	Infant child of Merton A. Drake				Eliot Me.	M				
Nov. 13	Ina B. Herne	59	2	24	Rye				Thomas Marston	Clara Garland
Dec. 16	Maria H. Shapley	81	5	14	Greenland	F	W	W	Matthias Haines	Eunice Lunt

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